

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

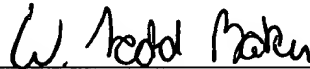
Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in view of the remarks of the September 22, 2003 amendment is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 4, 6-8, 10-12, 15, and 17-19 are presently active in this case. Claim 10 has been amended by way of the present amendment. No new matter has been added.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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